ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME DIVISION OF COMMERCIAL FISHERIES

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SOUTHEAST ALASKA SALMON PURSE SEINE FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT

Sitka. . . The Alaska Department of Fish and Game announced today that the following areas will be open to purse seining during the times and in the areas listed below.

District 1

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Thursday, July 20, 2017:

Section 1-F: will be open south of a line from the southernmost tip of Cone Point at 55°14.45′ N. latitude, 131°18.90′ W. longitude to the northernmost tip of Harbor Point to Point Davison Light then due west to the District 2 boundary with the following restriction:

Boca de Quadra: will be closed east of a line from Quadra Point to Kah Shakes Point.

District 2

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Thursday, July 20, 2017:

District 2: will be open south of the northernmost tip of Polk Island located at $55^{\circ}00.73'$ N. latitude with the following restriction:

Moira Sound: all waters will be closed.

District 4

District 4: will be closed.

District 7

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Thursday, July 20, 2017:

Section 7-A: will be open south of the latitude of Point Warde.

District 10

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Thursday, July 20, 2017:

District 10: will be open with the following restriction:

Frederick Sound: will be closed east of a line from Cape Fanshaw Light to Pinta Point.

District 11

The following area will be open to purse seining from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Thursday, July 20, 2017:

Section 11-A: will be open in the following area:

Amalga Harbor Special Harvest Area (SHA): will be open in the waters of Favorite Channel within the boundaries of a line from a marker on the mainland shore south of Eagle Beach at 58°30.65′ N. latitude, 134°49.30′ W. longitude, running west to the northernmost tip of Gull Island at 58°30.35′ N. latitude, 134°52.14′ W. longitude, then running south to the southernmost tip of Bird Island at 58°29.32′ N. latitude, 134°51.01′ W. longitude, then running southeast to a point at 58°28.62′ N. latitude, 134°48.22′ W. longitude, then running northeast to a marker on the mainland shore north of Pearl Harbor at 58°28.78′ N. latitude, 134°47.26′ W. longitude, then north to a marker on the mainland shore at 58°28.99′ N. latitude, 134°47.41′ W. longitude, then north to a marker on the westernmost tip of Kishbrock Island at 58°29.47′ N. latitude, 134°47.78′ W. longitude, and then north to a marker on the mainland shore at 58°30.02′ N. latitude, 134°48.06′ W. longitude.

District 12

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Thursday, July 20, 2017:

Section 12-A: will be open in the following areas:

Point Augusta: will be open within 2 nautical miles from the Chichagof Island shoreline and north of a regulatory marker at 58°01.63′ N. latitude (located 1 nautical mile south of Point Augusta Light);

Tenakee Inlet: will be open west of a line from the easternmost tip of East Point to a point at 57°46.34′ N. latitude, 134°56.07′ W. longitude to South Passage Point and east of 135°27.58′ W. longitude (normal markers);

Admiralty Island shoreline: will be open within 2 nautical miles of the Admiralty Island shoreline south of Point Marsden at 58°03.40′ N. latitude and north of Point Hepburn at 57°56.21′ N. latitude;

Hidden Falls THA: will be open in the waters of Takatz Bay west of a line from Point Turbot at $57^{\circ}09.64'$ N. latitude, $134^{\circ}48.22'$ W. longitude to a point on the Baranof Island shore at $57^{\circ}07.37'$ N. latitude, $134^{\circ}47.38'$ W. longitude.

District 13

The following areas will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Thursday, July 20, 2017:

Section 13-A: will be open in the following areas:

Lisianski Inlet and Lisianski Strait: will be open south of a line from the northernmost tip of Soapstone Point to the westernmost tip of Column Point and in Lisianski Strait north of the latitude of Point Theodore with the following restriction:

<u>Lisianski Inlet</u>: will be closed between 57°55.06′ N. latitude and 57°53.86′ N. latitude (near Phonograph Creek) and closed south of 57°52.68′ N. latitude.

Portlock Harbor, Ogden Passage, Smooth Channel, Khaz Bay, Lake Anna, Sisters Lake, and Slocum Arm: will be open east of a line from Khaz Point to Ninefoot Shoal Light to the southernmost tip of Herbert Graves Island to Point Hogan to the light located on the southern tip of Hill Island and then due north to the Chichagof Island shoreline with the following restrictions:

Klag Bay, Lake Anna, and Sisters Lake: will be closed east of a line from 57°36.95′ N. latitude, 136°06.42′ W. longitude to 57°36.68′ N. latitude, 136°05.92′ W. longitude;

<u>Ford Arm</u>: will be closed north and east of a line from Trap Point to a point on the Chichagof Island shoreline at 57°32.86′ N. latitude, 136°00.13′ W. longitude;

Black Bay: will be closed east of 136°08.01′ W. longitude;

Slocum Arm: normal markers.

Salisbury Sound: will be open east of the longitude of Kalinin Point, south of the latitude of **Kakul Rock Light at 57°22.38' N. latitude**, and north of the latitude of Scraggy Point.

Section 13-B: Redoubt Bay, Kanga Bay, and contiguous waters will be open east of 135°22.76′ W. longitude (normal markers).

Section 13-C: will be open southeast of a line from Nismeni Point to a point on the Chichagof Island shore at 57°33.88′ N. latitude, 135°17.73′ W. longitude with the following restrictions:

Saook Bay: normal markers;

Rodman Bay: will be closed southeast of a line from Point Elizabeth to Point Benham;

Sitkoh Bay and Florence Bay: will be closed north of a line from Point Craven to Point Hayes.

District 14

The following areas will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Thursday, July 20, 2017:

Section 14-B: will be open south of the latitude of Crist Point;

Section 14-C: will be open within 2 nautical miles of the Chichagof Island shoreline.

King Salmon Landing Restrictions: For Kendrick Bay THA and fishing areas open outside of THAs, king salmon 28 inches or greater in length may NOT be retained and sold. King salmon greater than 21 inches and less than 28 inches may be retained but not sold. King salmon 21 inches or less may be retained and sold. All king salmon harvested in the Hidden Falls, Anita Bay, and Neets Bay THAs may be retained and sold. All king salmon harvested in the Deep Inlet THA must be retained and may be sold.

The next seine announcement will be issued on Friday, July 21, 2017.

Copies of the "2017 Southeast Alaska Purse Seine Fishery Management Plan" may be obtained at department area offices listed below and can be downloaded on the department's website at: http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=commercialbyareasoutheast.salmon_managementplans.

The Emergency Order corresponding with this news release is EO 1S3717.

Southeast Alaska Purse Seine Harvest Estimates Statistical Week 29

Preliminary Estimates Compiled July 18, 2017

NUMBERS	OF SALMON

Area	King	Sockeye	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total	Boats
District 1	0	900	800	39,000	7,000	47,700	10
District 2	0	1,000	2,000	7,000	27,000	37,000	20
District 4	0	6,800	1,200	36,000	5,000	49,000	20
Section 7-A	0	400	0	55,000	30,000	85,400	23
Point Augusta/Whitestone	0	5,400	2,000	500,000	33,500	540,900	50
Tenakee Inlet	0	500	650	249,000	16,300	266,450	43
W. Admiralty shore	0	3,300	1,600	357,000	17,700	379,600	46
Section 13-A	0	400	300	173,000	2,000	175,700	13
Deep Inlet THA	40	70	190	1,400	14,000	15,700	15
Total	40	18,770	8,740	1,417,400	152,500	1,597,450	240

	FISH PER BOAT						
Area	King	Sockeye	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total	
District 1	0	90	80	3,900	700	4,770	
District 2	0	50	100	350	1,350	1,850	
District 4	0	340	60	1,800	250	2,450	
Section 7-A	0	17	0	2,391	1,304	3,713	
Point Augusta/Whitestone	0	108	40	10,000	670	10,818	
Tenakee Inlet	0	12	15	5,791	379	6,197	
W. Admiralty shore	0	72	35	7,761	385	8,252	
Section 13-A	0	31	23	13,308	154	13,515	
Deep Inlet THA	3	5	13	93	933	1,047	

Kendrick Bay THA harvest to date: 85,000 chum salmon.

Anita Bay THA harvest to date: 7,500 king and 55,000 chum salmon.

District 10: confidential. Section 13-C: no effort.

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